

ness, wider publicity and education.

6. Various State Governments and implementing agencies are being advised to make use of the above recommendations in development and popularisation of new and renewable sources of energy.

Pottern Irrigation Project in Orissa

4162. SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have accorded approval to the revised estimates for pottern irrigation project in Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the grant-in-aid has since been released; and

(d) if not, when it is likely to be released?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). The Public Investment Board has cleared the revised estimates for an estimated cost of Rs. 88.88 crores in its meeting held on 6.12.1990 subject to furnishing of the required environmental data by the State Government to be Ministry of Environment and Forests.

(c) and (d). An amount of Rs. 59.70 crores has so far been reimbursed by Government of India.

Requirement of Newsprint

4163. SHRI SUDHIR GIRI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

the total quantity requirement and pro-

duction of newsprint in the country?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): The total demand for newsprint in the country during 1991-92 is estimated at 5.60 lakh Metric Ton (MTs).

The production target of newsprint in the country during the year 1991-92 is 2.95 lakh MTs and the actual production achieved between April, 1991 and January, 1992 is 2,35,212 MT.

Public Telephones

4164. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT:
SHRIMATI MAHENDRA KUMARI:
SAHRIMATI RITA VERMA:
SHRI N.K. BALIYAN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any target was fixed for opening of public telephones during 1991-92 in Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Gujarat; and

(b) if so, the number of public telephones opened in the above states during the same period, district-wise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details are being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Thermal Power Station at Sagardighi, West Bengal

4165. SHRI ZAINAL ABEDIN: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state: